

Remarks

Amendment of the Claims

Claims 1-55 are canceled herein. New claims 56-66 are added. Support for new claims 56-66 can be found throughout the specification, specifically on page 35, line 13, to page 39, line 32 and 40, line 11, and by original claims 27, 34-36, and 41.

Previously Allowed Subject Matter

Applicants would like to draw the Examiner's attention to claim 15 of U.S. Application No. 09/378,842, filed August 23, 1999, now issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,342,392, which is directed to the use of antibodies that specifically bind *Int6* to detect the presence of this protein. Applicants would also like to draw the Examiner's attention to allowed claims 29-51 of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/858,152 (the parent application), directed to *Int6* polypeptides, and to allowed claims 52-54 of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/858,152, directed to *Int6* polypeptides and fragments of SEQ ID NO: 4 which deregulate mammary epithelial cellular growth.

Amendment of the Specification

The specification has been amended herein to insert Applicants' claim of priority, and to insert the Abstract, originally included in the first page of the International Application, as the last page of the specification. The specification is further amended to include the sequence listing. A computer readable form of the sequence listing accompanies this application.

The specification is further amended to include reference to SEQ ID NOs: 33-36 which are disclosed in Figs. 9A and 9B. Thus, the figure legends for Figs. 9A and 9B have been amended to refer to appropriate sequence identifiers.

Conclusion

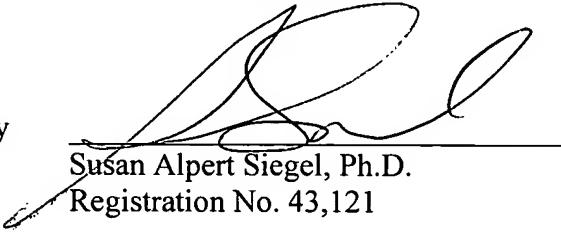
No new matter is introduced by this Preliminary Amendment. Examination of the application is respectfully requested. If any minor matters remain to be discussed prior to

examination, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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